THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) and (b) The existing system of pricing of petroleum products is based on the retention concept whereunder the oil refineries, oil marketing companies and pipelines are compensated operating cost and are allowed return of 12% post tax on net worth. Under this concept, a fixed level of profitability for the oil companies is ensured subject to their achieving laid down capacity.

A 'Strategic Planning Group' on restructuring the National Oil Industry with members comprising of top management from public and private sector and leading experts from academic and research institutes, was formed. The group has submitted its report to the Government.

(c) During the Fifth International Energy Conference held in Goa between December 6-8.1996 discussions among the participating countries were centered around and themes of the growing energy needs of the emerging economics, the strategic importance of Oil and Natural Gas and the global energy policy interrelationship.

Resource Mobilisation by States

2916. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI; Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Planning and Programme Implementation had asked different State Governments to increase resource mobilisation during the 8th Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the target fixed for different States;

(c) whether the State Governments have achieved their targets;

(d) if so, the details thereof, Statewise; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINSITER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (d) The commitments made by the State Governments for additional resource mobilisation during the 8th Five Year Plan and the expected achievement during the first four years of the 8th Five Year Plan are as under:—

(Rs. In crore)

	Eighth Plan Projection	(At 1991-92 prices) Cumulative achievement during first four years
Special Category States		
Arunachal	32.44	10.74
Assam	55.10	385.81
Himachal	0.00	94.14
Jammu &	0.00	59.30
Manipur	41.32	0.00
Meghalaya	111.54	32.62
Mizoram	0.00	1.67
Nagaland	53.70	14.58
Sikkim	0.00	0.00
Tripura	8.69	26.61
Non-Special ory States		
Andhra Pradesh	4062.72	2586.83
Bihar	5462.54	507.52
Goa	237.35	164.74
Gujarat	6019.34	1988.34
Haryana	1222.85	806.03
Karnataka	3976.83	2812.11
Kerala	1852.02	1584.43
Madhya Pradesh	2053.36	1881.61
Maharashtra	6737.46	5553.88
Orissa	2496.36	1602.82
Punjab	2060.88	2575.52
Rajasthan	2827.55	1427.53
Tamil Nadu	2605.00	2767.90
Uttar Pradesh	5711.68	4631.12
West Bengal	1916.03	1653.78

(e) The shortfall in resource mobilisation by some of the states have been mainly due to the inability of the state to take appropriate measures to tap the budgetary and non-budgetary resources to the full extent.